

Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center

Associate of Arts in Foreign Language

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The underlying goal at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC) is for all students to receive a comprehensive education that enables each student to carry out linguist duties and responsibilities and be a contributing member of society. To achieve this goal, students who receive an Associate of Arts in Foreign Language are required to show competence in general education, as well as knowledge of and skills in the foreign language studied while in residence at the Presidio of Monterey (POM). General education courses introduce the student to the methods of inquiry as well as the achievements of the major academic disciplines. While the Institute is responsible for providing the education necessary for the foreign language major, students have a variety of means to demonstrate their competence in the general education requirements. The expectation and goal of the Institute is for students to develop a multidisciplinary interest in learning that will continue and expand throughout their lives.

Degree Requirements

A student may receive the Associate of Arts in Foreign Language (AA/FL) degree by satisfying the following requirements recommended by the DLIFLC Academic Advisory Council, reviewed by the DLIFLC Board of Visitors, and established by the DLIFLC Governing Board.

1. General Education Requirements

DLIFLC does not teach all the required general education courses a student needs to receive an AA/FL degree. To satisfy general education requirements, students must complete at least 27 semester units, which must include the minimum number of units indicated in each of these general education areas. The following criteria apply to courses transferred to meet the DLIFLC general education requirement:

- Must be from an institution accredited by an agency authorized by the US Department of Education or by an institution that is a candidate for such

- Must not be developmental, preparatory, remedial, refresher or review.
- Must not duplicate or significantly overlap another course or test applied to the degree program.
- Must not be a special topic or problem, workshop, or similar course.
- Must not be narrowly focused on skills, techniques and procedures peculiar to a particular occupation.

In addition, the Institute has the right to approve or reject courses submitted for the general education requirements. The student may satisfy the balance of the general education requirements through the procedures outlined in **Alternative Methods for Earning College Credit** below. DLIFLC will award degrees only to students who have demonstrated competency in the following General Education (GE) areas:

<u>General Education Requirements</u>	<u>Semester Credits</u>
<p>AREA A English: Written Communication</p> <p>Applicable courses must satisfy the writing and composition requirement for graduation of the delivering institution.</p>	3
<p>AREA B Critical Thinking (Satisfied through MS 120 & 220)</p> <p>Logical thought, critical evaluation, and clear and precise expression. Courses in this area have an oral presentation component allowing students to demonstrate their ability to persuade, debate, argue or inform in a clear, concise and logical manner. Emphasis is on content and delivery in the foreign language.</p>	3
<p>AREA C Science (Course must include a lab.)</p> <p>Understanding scientific methods and achievements of at least one of the biological or physical sciences. The following serve as examples:</p> <p><u>General Biology</u>. Normally includes study of fundamental principles of living organisms. Includes cell or subcellular structure, reproduction, heredity and development.</p> <p><u>General Chemistry</u>. Normally includes study of composition, structure, properties of and changes in matter, and accompanying energy phenomena as well as</p>	3

AREA D Humanities (Satisfied through AS 140, 240 &340)	3
Appreciation, understanding, and sensitivity for artistic and cultural creation and expression. Courses in this area have components in the fine and performing arts, the literature of the language as well as the philosophy and religion of the language area.	
AREA E Social Science	3
Understanding of American history and/or government. Courses fulfilling this requirement need to have a stated component that addresses the contributions of ethnic minorities and women.	
AREA F Technology	3
Hands-on use of computers in today's work environment. Use of desktop computers; techniques of word processing, databases and spreadsheets; web searches, concerns of virus prevention and detection; and data security. (Computer history, hardware design, computer maintenance and management of computer systems are not acceptable.)	
AREA G Area Studies (Satisfied through AS 140, 240 & 340)	3
Studies of the foreign language cultural area(s). Acquaints the student to the geography, history, and political and economic system(s) of the foreign language area(s).	
AREA H Physical Education (Satisfied through Basic Military Training)	3
Appreciation and understanding of the physical skills and health knowledge essential for mental and physical well-being.	
AREA I Mathematics	3
Intermediate algebra or a college-level mathematics course that satisfies the delivering institution's mathematics requirement for graduation. Courses such as accounting, business mathematics, computer mathematics, statistics	

logarithmic functions, basic techniques of integration, and applications of the integral.

College Algebra. Normally includes, but is not limited to, the real number system, functions and relations, binomial theorem, matrices and determinants, logarithms, equations, sequences and series, and mathematical induction.

TOTAL General Education Semester Units

27

(All transfer courses and units must be approved by DLIFLC.)

DLIFLC General Education Courses

Areas

The following DLI Basic Program courses satisfy general education requirements in areas B, D, and G for a total of 9 semester credits. (Please refer to the General Catalog for course descriptions).

For courses taken Oct 1, 1991 – Dec 31, 1999

Area B Critical Thinking (3 credits)

FL 220. Introduction to Military Topics in the Foreign Language. 2 credits

FL 320. Comprehensive Military Topics in the Foreign Language. 1 credit

Area D Humanities (3 credits)

FL 140. Foreign Language Culture I 1 credit

FL 150. Foreign Language Area Studies I 1 credit

FL 240. Foreign Language Culture II 1 credit

Area G Area Studies (3 credits)

FL 250. Foreign Language Area Studies II 1 credit

FL 340. Foreign Language Culture III 1 credit

FL 350. Foreign Language Area Studies III 1 credit

For courses taken after Jan 1, 2000

Area B Critical Thinking (3 credits)

MS 120 Introduction to Job Related Skills in the Foreign Language. 2 credits

MS 220. Introduction to Military Topics in the Foreign Language. 1 credit

AS 240. History and Geography of the Foreign Language Region.	1 credit
AS 340. Area and Intercultural Studies within the Foreign Language Region.	1 credit

The following DLI Intermediate Program courses satisfy general education requirements in areas D and G if taken after February 1, 1998 for a total of 6 semester credits.

Area D Humanities (3 credits)

AS 381 Intermediate Area Studies: Social Science.	3 credits
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Area G Area Studies (3 credits)

MS 382 Intermediate Military Science and Technology	3 credits
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2. Major Requirements

All courses counting toward the major must be earned in residence at the DLIFLC on the Presidio of Monterey, with a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of C (2.0) or higher. Typically, the major requirements are met upon the satisfactory completion of the DLIFLC Basic program for students who enrolled after Oct 1, 1991. Successful completion of the Intermediate program may be substituted for the major and will satisfy the residency requirement if enrolled after February 1, 1998. DLIFLC does not grant a degree for a double major or a degree in other fields. The only degree offered is the Associate of Arts in Foreign Language. A student may earn a degree in only one language.

DLI Basic Program Courses in the Major for classes Oct 1, 1990 to Dec 31, 1999

(Please refer to the General Catalog for course descriptions).

Lower Division:

FL 101. Elementary Foreign Language I.	5 credits
FL 102. Elementary Foreign Language II.	5 credits
FL 110. Elementary Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits
FL 201. Intermediate Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 202. Intermediate Foreign Language II.	4 credits

FL 210. Intermediate Foreign Language III. 4 credits

DLI Basic Program Courses in the Major for classes after Jan 1, 2000

(Please refer to the General Catalog for course descriptions).

Lower Division:

FL 101. Elementary Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 102. Elementary Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 110. Elementary Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits
FL 201. Intermediate Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 202. Intermediate Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 210. Intermediate Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits

Upper Division Courses in the Major:

FL 301. Advanced Foreign Language I.	4 credits
FL 302. Advanced Foreign Language II.	4 credits
FL 310. Advanced Foreign Language Conversation.	3 credits
MS 320. Comprehensive Military Topics in the Foreign Language	2 credits

Major: 35 credits (Basic program satisfies all major requirements)

3. AA Degree Requirements: The following requirements must be met prior to the awarding of a degree:

a. Normally students must fulfill the DLIFLC diploma requirements as stipulated in DLIFLC Regulation 350-1. Students completing the Basic program must receive a minimum score of L2/R2/S1+ on the Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT) and have a cumulative grade point average of a “C” (2.0) or higher. No grades below a “D” (1.0) will be accepted. Students completing **only** the Intermediate program must receive a minimum DLPT score of L2+/R2+/S2, all other requirements are the same as the Basic program.

d. **Residence Requirement:** The student must satisfy the residence requirement for graduation by successfully completing (as described above) a Basic or Intermediate program taken at the DLIFLC, Presidio of Monterey.

e. **Active Duty Requirement:** Students may continue to complete the general education requirements for the AA degree after they have completed their language studies for the major at DLI. However, upon completion of all degree requirements, students must still be a member or dependent of a member of the United States Armed Forces (Active, Reserve or National Guard) at the time they submit a “Petition for Degree” to the DLI Registrar Division. A photocopy of both sides of the current military identification card should be submitted to the DLI Registrar Division at the time of petitioning as evidence the candidate for graduation is a member of the Armed Forces.

Petitioning for Award of Associate Degree

Students seeking the award of the Associate in Arts in Foreign Language degree must submit a “Petition for Degree” Form to the DLI Registrar Division. Students are requested to review their completed degree requirements prior to submitting the “Petition for Degree” Form and should not petition for award of the degree until all the requirements are satisfactorily completed.

Students petitioning for award of the AA degree should also provide their current name, previous names used, social security number, current mailing address, dates of attendance for DLI coursework, and official copies of all transcripts documenting general education credit. The DLI Registrar Division will check the student’s eligibility before the applications are processed and will issue a degree certificate and transcript to the student once all degree requirements have been met. The normal processing time is 30 days.

Alternative Methods for Earning College Credit

GENERAL. The DLIFLC does not offer all of the general education courses required for the Associate of Arts degree. Students may transfer units taken from accredited post-secondary institutions and units earned through non-traditional programs as listed below to meet the DLIFLC general education requirements. However, DLIFLC is not obligated to accept all units the student has earned. The DLI Registrar Division can assist students in resolving conflicts concerning overlapping courses and examinations. Final decisions in all matters regarding acceptance of credits rest with the DLIFLC.

Education, can be considered for transfer credit and apply to the general education requirements. No upper division courses will be accepted in transfer to satisfy general education requirements and no language courses taken outside the DLI can be counted towards the major.

As soon as all requirements for the degree have been completed, official transcripts for all transfer work should be forwarded to the DLI Registrar Division for evaluation. Should an institution lose accreditation, DLIFLC will only accept courses completed before the institution's loss of accreditation.

Transfer courses will not be listed on the DLI transcript. Only the total number of credits approved for general education transfer credit will be included on the transcript together with the AA degree completion date.

Transfer credit earned through colleges and universities outside the United States must be evaluated by an independent evaluation service recognized by the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services, Inc.

2. Other Methods of Obtaining College Credit

In addition to credit awarded for transfer courses from other institutions, students may apply credit towards the general education requirements for the Associate's degree earned through proficiency examinations, military training, and non-collegiate-based professional training.

The types of alternative credit accepted by the Institute include Advanced Placement (AP), College Level Examination Program (CLEP), Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support (DANTES), International Baccalaureate (IB), some types of military training as recommended by the American Council on Education (ACE), Program of Non-collegiate Sponsored Instruction (PONSI), and Excelsior (Regents) College.

To earn alternative credit, students must present official score reports for approved exams with proof of an ACE - recommended minimum score. All exam results meeting the ACE minimum score will be awarded credit with a grade of pass. Additional information about alternative credit can be obtained at any of the military education centers.

The following general guidelines are meant to assist students but do not guarantee DLIFLC acceptance of units earned by these methods:

A. Advanced Placement (AP)

B. College Board College-Level Examination Program (CLEP)

Students, who earn the ACE recommended minimum required score on College-Level Proficiency Examinations, will be awarded credit toward their general education requirements. Students interested in applying the CLEP General English Exam for credit must pass the version with an essay.

C. Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support (DANTES)

Students who earn the ACE recommended minimum required score on applicable Defense Activity for Nontraditional Education Support Tests will be awarded credit toward their general education requirements.

D. International Baccalaureate (IB)

The International Baccalaureate diploma or individual exams will be considered for credit. High-level exams with a score of 5 or better can be applied toward general education requirements. A maximum of 15 credits may be awarded for International Baccalaureate exams.

E. ACE–Recommended Credit for Military Experiences and Non-Collegiate Sponsored Instruction

Credit may be awarded for certain ACE-approved educational and work experiences in the armed forces. The amount of credit for all training will be based on the ACE guidelines. ACE-recommendations published in the National Guide to Educational Credit for Training Programs will be used as a guideline for awarding credit for non-collegiate sponsored instruction.

F. Excelsior College Examinations

Students who meet the ACE-recommended minimum required score on applicable Excelsior College Exams will be awarded credit toward their general education requirements.